

REMARKS

This communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed on November 14, 2006, in which all pending claims 28-49 were rejected. In particular, claims 28-49 were rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over certain claims of U.S. Patent Nos. 6,893,392, 6,544,168, and 6,375,608. In addition, claims 28-49 were provisionally rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over certain claims in copending U.S. Application No. 10/672,226.

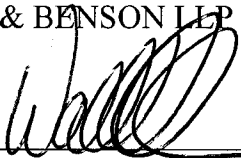
Terminal disclaimers are filed herewith to overcome the obviousness-type double patenting rejections and the provisional obviousness-type double patenting rejection. Allowance of all pending claims 28-49 is requested.

Consideration of the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed on December 8, 2006, is also requested.

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